



State of Washington

## DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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### DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

#### **Name of Proposal: MIMA CREEK POND SCULPTING**

**Description of Proposal:** Two ponds will be excavated in the Mima Creek Preserve wetland onsite to enhance habitat for waterfowl and provide habitat for Oregon Spotted Frog. The ponds will total 5 acres and approximately 3,500 cubic yards of material will be removed for adjacent upland contouring based on NRCS construction drawings and specifications dated March 2010 (Attachment D).

#### **Proponent/Applicant:**

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** 10014 Gate RD SW, Olympia Washington 98512, Thurston County; Section 20, Township 16 North, Range 03 West WM

A map of the location is provided in USDA-NRCS Attachment E

**Lead Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law<sup>1</sup> does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.<sup>2</sup> We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **August 13, 2010**

You can submit your comments by email to [SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov](mailto:SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov), through the WDFW SEPA website comment link at <http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm>, fax to (360) 902-2946, or mail to the address below. When you send us your comments, please provide the name of the proposal in your comment letter.

**Responsible Official:** Teresa A. Eturaspe

**Position/Title:** SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.<sup>1</sup>

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

**DATE OF ISSUE:** July 30, 2010      **SIGNATURE:** 

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)
2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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